## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Eastern District of California
Honorable W. Richard Lee
Hearing Date: Thursday, December 19, 2013
Place: Department B – Courtroom #12
Fresno, California

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRE-HEARING DISPOSITIONS

- 1. The following rulings are tentative. The tentative ruling will not become the final ruling until the matter is called at the scheduled hearing. Pre-disposed matters will generally be called, and the rulings placed on the record at the end of the calendar. Any party who desires to be heard with regard to a pre-disposed matter may appear at the hearing. If the party wishes to contest the tentative ruling, he/she shall notify the opposing party/counsel of his/her intention to appear. If no disposition is set forth below, the hearing will take place as scheduled.
- 2. Submission of Orders:

Unless the tentative ruling expressly states that the court will prepare a civil minute order, then the tentative ruling will only appear in the minutes. If any party desires an order, then the appropriate form of order, which conforms to the tentative ruling, must be submitted to the court. When the debtor(s) discharge has been entered, proposed orders for relief from stay must reflect that the motion is denied as to the debtor(s) and granted only as to the trustee. Entry of discharge normally is indicated on the calendar.

3. Matters Resolved Without Opposition:

If the tentative ruling states that no opposition was filed, and the moving party is aware of any reason, such as a settlement, why a response may not have been filed, the moving party must advise Vicky McKinney, the Calendar Clerk, at (559) 499-5825 by 4:00 p.m. the day before the scheduled hearing.

4. Matters Resolved by Stipulation:

If the parties resolve a matter by stipulation after the tentative ruling has been posted, but **before the formal order is entered on the docket**, the **moving party** may appear at the hearing and advise the court of the settlement or withdraw the motion. Alternatively, the parties may submit a stipulation and order to modify the tentative ruling together with the proposed order resolving the matter.

5. Resubmittal of Denied Matters:

If the moving party decides to re-file a matter that is denied without prejudice for any reason set forth below, the moving party must file and serve a new set of pleadings with a new docket control number. It may not simply re-notice the original motion.

## 9:00 A.M.

1. <u>13-17341</u>-B-11 HOWARD SAGASER KDG-4 HOWARD SAGASER/MV

HAGOP BEDOYAN/Atty. for dbt. OST 12/9

2. <u>13-17341</u>-B-11 HOWARD SAGASER
MPP-2
WANGER JONES HELSLEY, PC/MV

HAGOP BEDOYAN/Atty. for dbt. CARL GRUMER/Atty. for mv.

- 3. <u>13-17297</u>-B-11 MARIA PEDRO
  THOMAS GILLIS/Atty. for dbt.
- 4. <u>13-17297</u>-B-11 MARIA PEDRO TOG-2 MARIA PEDRO/MV THOMAS GILLIS/Atty. for dbt.

MOTION TO ASSUME LEASE OR EXECUTORY CONTRACT AND/OR MOTION TO SELL FREE AND CLEAR OF LIENS 12-9-13 [51]

MOTION TO APPROVE STIPULATION FOR RELIEF FROM THE AUTOMATIC STAY 12-5-13 [41]

CHAPTER 11 STATUS CONFERENCE 11-20-13 [18]

FINAL HEARING RE: MOTION TO USE CASH COLLATERAL 11-14-13 [4]

13-16202-B-7 CHHOEUN GOV 1. TMT-1TRUDI MANFREDO/MV

MOTION TO DISMISS CASE AND/OR MOTION TO EXTEND TIME FOR FILING OBJECTIONS TO DISCHARGE AND MOTIONS TO DISMISS 11-21-13 [12]

EVGENII SVERDLOV/Atty. for dbt. TRUDI MANFREDO/Atty. for mv. RESPONSIVE PLEADING

12-19215-B-7 2. FRANK FARIA LRP-3CRAIG FRY/MV

MOTION FOR COMPENSATION BY THE LAW OFFICE OF LANG, RICHERT AND PATCH FOR CRAIG B. FRY, SPECIAL COUNSEL(S), 11-22-13 [62]

HAGOP BEDOYAN/Atty. for dbt.

3. 13-13115-B-7 GREGORY/TARYN WILLIAMS RR-2 GREGORY WILLIAMS/MV RANDY RISNER/Atty. for dbt.

MOTION TO AVOID LIEN OF AUTOMOTIVE FINANCE CORPORATION 11-14-13 [51]

The motion will be denied. It appears from the evidence submitted that the debtors did not hold any interest in the subject property prior to the time the judgment lien was recorded. See Farrey v. Sanderfoot, 500 U.S. 291, 11 S.Ct. 1825 (1991). No appearance is necessary.

13-13115-B-7 GREGORY/TARYN WILLIAMS MOTION TO AVOID LIEN OF DEALER 4. RR-3 GREGORY WILLIAMS/MV RANDY RISNER/Atty. for dbt.

SERVICES CORPORATION 11-14-13 [55]

The motion will be denied. It appears from the evidence submitted that the debtors did not hold any interest in the subject property prior to the time the judgment lien was recorded. See Farrey v. Sanderfoot, 500 U.S. 291, 11 S.Ct. 1825 (1991). No appearance is necessary.

5. 13-13115-B-7 GREGORY/TARYN WILLIAMS MOTION TO AVOID LIEN OF STATE RR-4GREGORY WILLIAMS/MV

OF CALIFORNIA, EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 11-14-13 [59]

RANDY RISNER/Atty. for dbt.

The motion will be denied. It appears from the evidence submitted that the debtors did not hold any interest in the subject property prior to the time the judgment lien was recorded. See Farrey v. Sanderfoot, 500 U.S. 291, 11 S.Ct. 1825 (1991). No appearance is necessary.

6. 12-18821-B-7 GUILLERMO SANCHEZ
TMT-1
TRUDI MANFREDO/MV
TRUDI MANFREDO/Atty. for mv.

MOTION TO SELL 11-20-13 [32]

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

7. <u>13-10141</u>-B-7 LINDA WALKER TGM-2 SHERYL STRAIN/MV

MOTION TO COMPROMISE
CONTROVERSY/APPROVE SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT WITH RENAYE ANN
LAURENCE
11-21-13 [38]

STEPHEN LABIAK/Atty. for dbt. TRUDI MANFREDO/Atty. for mv.

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

8. <u>11-11458</u>-B-7 RAY BARNES AND LORA
SAS-2 NUNES-BARNES
SHERYL STRAIN/MV

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED CLAIMS PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION 11-15-13 [80]

PETER BUNTING/Atty. for dbt. THOMAS ARMSTRONG/Atty. for mv.

This matter will be continued to January 30, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. The trustee is essentially requesting permission to correct or amend the final report that was filed on September 13, 2013. However, the trustee has not filed a corrected final report for the court to approve. The trustee shall file and serve a corrected final report, with appropriate approval from the U.S. Trustee if necessary, and notice of the continued hearing, by January 16, 2014. The court will prepare a minute order. No appearance is necessary.

9. 13-16562-B-7 SCOTT YORK

TMT-1

TRUDI MANFREDO/MV

ANDREW MAGWOOD/Atty. for dbt.

TRUDI MANFREDO/Atty. for mv.

RESPONSIVE PLEADING

MOTION TO DISMISS CASE 11-20-13 [13]

10. <u>13-13472</u>-B-7 MICHAEL/KAREN DEMEUSY OBJECTION BY TRUSTEE TO AMENDED

OBJECTION BY TRUSTEE TO AMENDED SCHEDULE C 9-23-13 [29]

TRUDI MANFREDO/MV

JAMES MILLER/Atty. for dbt.

DAVID JENKINS/Atty. for mv.

The trustee's objection has been withdrawn. No appearance is necessary.

1. 13-16532-B-7 MARIA DOMINGUEZ
CJO-1
GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC/MV
THOMAS GILLIS/Atty. for dbt.
CHRISTINA O/Atty. for mv.

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 12-3-13 [12]

2. <u>13-17435</u>-B-7 ROSA ALCARAZ

MET-1

BANK OF THE WEST/MV

STEPHEN LABIAK/Atty. for dbt.

MARY TANG/Atty. for mv.

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 12-5-13 [12]

3. 13-16745-B-7 MOHAMMED ALQUTAMI
KWL-1
KINGS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION/MV
JANINE ESQUIVEL/Atty. for dbt.
KEITH LUSK/Atty. for mv.

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 11-12-13 [12]

This motion for relief from stay was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there was no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The automatic stay is terminated as it applies to the movant's right to enforce its remedies against the subject property under applicable nonbankruptcy law. The proposed order shall specifically describe the property or action to which the order relates. If the motion involves a foreclosure of real property in California, then the order shall also provide that the bankruptcy proceeding has been finalized for purposes of Cal. Civil Code § 2923.5. the notice and motion requested a waiver of Rule 4001(a)(3), that relief will be granted. Unless the court expressly orders otherwise, the proposed order shall not include any other relief. If the prayer for relief includes a request for adequate protection, and/or a request for an award of attorney fees, those requests will be denied without prejudice. Adequate protection is unnecessary in light of the relief granted herein. A motion for attorney fees pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 506(b), or applicable nonbankruptcy law, must be separately noticed and separately briefed with appropriate legal authority and supporting documentation. No appearance is necessary.

4. 13-15554-B-7 RICHARD/KAYING ELMER
TVL-2
LANDVALUE 77, LLC/MV
RICHARD WHEELER/Atty. for dbt.
TIMOTHY LOGOLUSO/Atty. for mv.
DISCHARGED

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 11-19-13 [39]

This motion for relief from stay was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there was no opposition. The motion will be denied as moot as to the debtor(s) because their discharge has been entered. will be granted for cause shown as to the chapter 7 trustee. The automatic stay is terminated as it applies to the movant's right to enforce its remedies against the subject property under applicable nonbankruptcy law. The proposed order shall specifically describe the property or action to which the order relates. If the motion involves a foreclosure of real property in California, then the order shall also provide that the bankruptcy proceeding has been finalized for purposes of Cal. Civil Code § 2923.5. If the notice and motion requested a waiver of Rule 4001(a)(3), that relief will be granted. Unless the court expressly orders otherwise, the proposed order shall not include any other relief. If the prayer for relief includes a request for adequate protection, and/or a request for an award of attorney fees, those requests will be denied without prejudice. Adequate protection is unnecessary in light of the relief granted herein. A motion for attorney fees pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 506(b), or applicable nonbankruptcy law, must be separately noticed and separately briefed with appropriate legal authority and supporting documentation. No appearance is necessary.

5. 13-16470-B-7 LUIS CRUZ

KCR-1

KEN ENGLE/MV

ERIC ESCAMILLA/Atty. for dbt.

KEITH RICKELMAN/Atty. for mv.

AMENDED MOTION 12/6

CONTINUED MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 10-31-13 [21]

This motion for relief from stay was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there was no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The automatic stay is terminated as it applies to the movant's right to enforce its remedies against the subject property under applicable nonbankruptcy law. The proposed order shall specifically describe the property or action to which the order relates. If the motion involves a foreclosure of real property in California, then the order shall also provide that the bankruptcy proceeding has been finalized for purposes of Cal. Civil Code § 2923.5. the notice and motion requested a waiver of Rule 4001(a)(3), that relief will be granted. Unless the court expressly orders otherwise, the proposed order shall not include any other relief. If the prayer for relief includes a request for adequate protection, and/or a request for an award of attorney fees, those requests will be denied without prejudice. Adequate protection is unnecessary in light of the relief granted herein. A motion for attorney fees pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 506(b), or applicable nonbankruptcy law, must be separately noticed and separately briefed with appropriate legal authority and supporting documentation. No appearance is necessary.

1. 13-15708-B-7 JAMES/BARBARA MYERS

REAFFIRMATION AGREEMENT WITH SNAP-ON CREDIT LLC 11-20-13 [25]

DAVID JENKINS/Atty. for dbt.

The court intends to deny approval of this reaffirmation agreement. Both the reaffirmation agreement and the bankruptcy schedules show that reaffirmation of this debt creates a presumption of undue hardship which has not been rebutted in the reaffirmation agreement. No appearance is necessary.

2. 13-16742-B-7 SHAWN/KARLENE GROGAN

PRO SE REAFFIRMATION AGREEMENT WITH FRESNO COUNTY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 11-26-13 [20]

1. <u>13-10002</u>-B-13 SANDRA HARRIS DRJ-4 SANDRA HARRIS/MV

OBJECTION TO CLAIM OF RICHARD YAHNIAN CONSTRUCTION, CLAIM NUMBER 6 10-30-13 [44]

DAVID JENKINS/Atty. for dbt.

The objection will be sustained without oral argument. The record reflects that the objection is unopposed. The claim will be disallowed in full, or in part, on the grounds stated in the objection. The objecting party shall prepare the proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

2. <u>13-15258</u>-B-13 LENNEL/BELINDA EARL MDE-1

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A./MV

KARNEY MEKHITARIAN/Atty. for dbt.

MARK ESTLE/Atty. for mv.

MOTION TO APPROVE LOAN MODIFICATION 11-19-13 [32]

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument. The court does not approve or disapprove the terms of a mortgage modification outside of a chapter 13 plan. See In re Wofford, 449 B.R. 362 (Bankr. W.D. Wis. 2011). However, the court will authorize the debtor(s) to enter into a modification agreement on terms to be negotiated between the debtor(s) and the mortgagee so long as modification of the mortgage does not interfere with the debtor(s) duties and trustee's administration of the chapter 13 plan. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

3. <u>13-15768</u>-B-13 RICHARD/JANET SOESMAN PBB-1 RICHARD SOESMAN/MV

MOTION TO AVOID LIEN OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE COLLECTION SERVICES, INC. 11-15-13 [21]

PETER BUNTING/Atty. for dbt.

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

4. <u>13-15768</u>-B-13 RICHARD/JANET SOESMAN PBB-2 RICHARD SOESMAN/MV

MOTION TO AVOID LIEN OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 11-15-13 [27]

PETER BUNTING/Atty. for dbt.

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

5. 13-15871-B-13 DOMENICO FERRUA AND VC-1 SHAWNA GILES TOP FINANCE CO., INC./MV PETER FEAR/Atty. for dbt.
MICHAEL VANLOCHEM/Atty. for mv.
RESPONSIVE PLEADING

CONTINUED MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 10-22-13 [31]

Based on the plaintiff's representation that a settlement agreement is being negotiated, this matter will be continued to January 9, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. The parties may stipulate to further continuance if one is necessary. The court will prepare a minute order. No appearance is necessary.

6. 10-17390-B-13 DAVID/BEVERLY HANES
PLF-7
DAVID HANES/MV
PETER FEAR/Atty. for dbt.

MOTION TO APPROVE LOAN MODIFICATION 11-20-13 [93]

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument. The court does not approve or disapprove the terms of a mortgage modification outside of a chapter 13 plan. See In re Wofford, 449 B.R. 362 (Bankr. W.D. Wis. 2011). However, the court will authorize the debtor(s) to enter into a modification agreement on terms to be negotiated between the debtor(s) and the mortgagee so long as modification of the mortgage does not interfere with the debtor(s) duties and trustee's administration of the chapter 13 plan. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

7. <u>13-15896</u>-B-13 KAREN SHARPE BCS-1 BENJAMIN SHEIN/MV MOTION FOR COMPENSATION BY THE LAW OFFICE OF SHEIN LAW GROUP, PC FOR BENJAMIN C. SHEIN, DEBTOR'S ATTORNEY(S), 11-20-13 [18]

BENJAMIN SHEIN/Atty. for dbt.

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

8. <u>13-15897</u>-B-13 KERMIT/GERALDINE BCS-1 ALEXANDER BENJAMIN SHEIN/MV

MOTION FOR COMPENSATION BY THE LAW OFFICE OF SHEIN LAW GROUP, PC FOR BENJAMIN C. SHEIN, DEBTOR'S ATTORNEY(S) 11-20-13 [20]

BENJAMIN SHEIN/Atty. for dbt.

This matter was fully noticed in compliance with the Local Rules and there is no opposition. The motion will be granted without oral argument for cause shown. The moving party shall submit a proposed order. No appearance is necessary.

9. 13-16616-B-13 JOE BOSS HTP-2 UNITED SECURITY BANK/MV CONTINUED OBJECTION TO
CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY UNITED
SECURITY BANK
11-26-13 [ 36 ]

SCOTT LYONS/Atty. for dbt. HANNO POWELL/Atty. for mv.

This matter will be continued to January 9, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. The court will prepare a minute order. No appearance is necessary.

1. <u>11-12668</u>-B-13 ALVINA FISCHER MHM-3 MICHAEL MEYER/MV MOTION TO DISMISS CASE FOR UNREASONABLE DELAY THAT IS PREJUDICIAL TO CREDITORS AND/OR MOTION TO DISMISS CASE 11-21-13 [94]

NANCY KLEPAC/Atty. for dbt. RESPONSIVE PLEADING

The debtor has now employed counsel to respond to the issues raised in the trustee's motion, therefore this matter will be continued to January 30, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. The debtor shall file a status report regarding resolution of the mortgage arrearage claim. The court will prepare a minute order. No appearance is necessary.